bureaucracy to the competent court in "Judicial review" for the result of an action done or decision taken in a given case-held that "the head of the department/designate officer is ultimately responsible and accountable to the court" for the action taken;

(b) whether the Government have considered the judgement of the Supreme Court; and

(c) if so, whether any directive has been issued in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN) : (a) By its order of February 13, 1997 the Supreme Court dismissed a Special Leave Petition by the State of Bihar against the order of the Patna High Court whereunder the High Court had imposed costs personally against the respondent for non-compliance of the order of the High Court within the period of two months specified by the High Court. In disposing of the above case the Supreme Court had observed, inter-alia, that " the bureaucracy is also accountable for the acts done in accordance with the rules when judicial review is called to be exercised by the Courts. The hierarchical responsibility for the decision is their in-built discipline. But the head of the Department/designated officer is ultimately responsible and accountable to the Court for the result of the action done or decision taken

(b) Government are aware of this judgement.

(c) No, Sir.

Fruit based Industries

3957. SHRI BANWARI LAL PUROHIT :
SHRI LAKSHMAN SINGH :

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state :

(a) the number of fruits based food processing industries in the country, State-wise;

(b) the scheme formulated by the Union Government to encourage the fruit processing industry in future; and

(c) the norms fixed by the Government to set up a food processing industry in the country ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI DILIP KUMAR RAY) : (a) The total number of fruit and vegetable based food processing industries licensed under the Fruit Products Order as on 1st Jan., 1997 was 4674. The State-wise data is not maintained because a manufacturer under one address can have relabelling facilities in various States.

(b) Ministry of Food Processing Industries has formulated various plan schemes for implementation during the 8th Plan period for the development of fruit & vegetable processing industries, the details of which are given in the attached Statement. Similar schemes are proposed to be continued in the 9th Five Year Plan.

(c) Ministry of Food Processing Industries does not set up any food processing unit directly in any State.

Statement

Details of the Plan Schemes Formulated for Implementation during the Eight Plan Period

S.No.	Name of the Plan Schemes
1.	Scheme for Food Processing and Training Centres in Rural Area
2.	Scheme for Assistance to State Government Undertakings and Cooperatives for Establishing or Upgrading of Fruit and Vegetable Processing facilities.
3.	Scheme for strengthening backward linkages for the Fruit and Vegetable Processing Industries.
4.	Scheme for Development of infrastructure for Mushroom cultivation and processing.
5.	Scheme for development and processing of hops.
6.	Scheme for generic advertising of processing food and for providing marketing assistance.
7.	Scheme for research and development in food and vegetable processing.
8.	Assistance for infrastructure for fruit and vegetable products (From 1993-94).

[Translation]

Inclusion of Block

3958. SHRI D.P. YADAV : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government of Uttar Pradesh has sent any proposals to the Union Government seeking inclusion of some more Blocks under employment Assurance Scheme;

(b) if so, the number of such Blocks; and

(c) the number of Blocks of Sabhal parliamentary Constituency proposed to be included under this Scheme ?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KINJARAPPU YERRANNAIDU) : (a) Yes, Sir.